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## Advisory Announcement

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### **KODIAK COMMERCIAL HERRING SAC ROE FISHERY ADVISORY ANNOUNCEMENT #01 For Emergency Order #4-FH-K-01-21**

The Kodiak herring sac roe fishery will begin at **noon Thursday, April 1, 2021**. All herring **permit holders**, buyers and tender operators participating are **required to register** with the ADF&G Kodiak office or with ADF&G personnel on the grounds prior to operations. The total 2021 Kodiak Area Sac Roe Herring Guideline Harvest Level (GHL) is **7,895 tons**.

#### **FISHING PERIODS:**

**PURSE SEINE:** Fishing periods for purse seine gear will be noon to 9:00 p.m. on odd-numbered days and 9:00 a.m. to noon on even-numbered days.

**GILLNET:** Gillnet fishing periods will be noon on even-numbered days to noon on odd-numbered days starting April 2.

#### **OPEN AREAS AND GUIDELINE HARVEST LEVELS:**

<b>Afognak Districts</b>	<b>GHL</b>
(SA10,20,30) Kitoi/Izhut/MacDonalds Lagoon	100
(SA40) Danger Bay	300
(WA10) Raspberry Strait	400
(WA20) Malina Bay	200
(WA31,32) Paramanof/Foul Bays	400
(NA50) Tonki	75
<b>Afognak Districts Total</b>	<b>1,475</b>
<b>Eastside/Northeast Districts</b>	<b>GHL</b>
(EA10, 20) Kaiugnak, SW Sitkalidak	100
(EA21,22,23,24) Three Saints Bay, Newman Bay, West Sitkalidak Strait, Barling Bay	400
(EA30,31) East Sitkalidak Strait, Tanginak Anchorage	800
(EA42,43,44) Shearwater Bay, Outer Kiliuda Bay, Inner Kiliuda Bay	800
(EA50,51) Outer Ugak Bay, Inner Ugak Bay	500
(NE20) Kalsin Bay	100
<b>Eastside/Northeast Districts Total</b>	<b>2,700</b>
<b>Uganik District</b>	<b>GHL</b>
(UG20,21,31) Viekoda Bay, Terror Bay, West Uganik Passage	1,200
(UG30,32,33,34) Village Islands, NE Arm Uganik Bay, East Arm Uganik Bay, South Arm Uganik Bay	1,000
<b>Uganik District Total</b>	<b>2,200</b>

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<b>Uyak District</b>	<b>GHL</b>
(UY30,32) Inner Uyak, Browns Lagoon	200
(UY40,50) Zachar Bay Spiridon Bay	800
<b>Uyak District Total</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b>Inner Marmot District</b>	<b>GHL</b>
(IM20) Anton Larsen Bay	15
(IM30) Sharatin Bay	30
(IM40) Kizhuyak Bay	200
<b>Inner Marmot District Total</b>	<b>245</b>
<b>Alitak District</b>	<b>GHL</b>
(AL20) Inner Alitak	25
(AL21,22) Inner Deadman Bay, Outer Deadman Bay	50
(AL30) Sulua Bay	25
(AL40) Lower Olga	25
(AL41) East Upper Olga Bay	25
(AL50) West Upper Olga Bay	25
(AL60) Geese/Twoheaded	100
<b>Alitak District Total</b>	<b>275</b>
<b>Kodiak Management Area Total</b>	<b>7,895</b>

## **EXPLORATORY AREAS**

The following sections are designated as **EXPLORATORY**, and will be open to either gear type, with differential fishing periods by gear type as outlined above for purse seine or gillnet gear:

### Afognak Districts:

(NA20) Delphin Bay  
(NA30) Perensoa Bay  
(WA40) Bluefox Bay

### Mainland Districts:

(NM20) Inner Kukak  
(MM10) Inner Katmai  
(MM30) Alinchak  
(MM40) Puale Bay  
(MM50) Portage Bay  
(SM10) Wide Bay

GHLs and maps of open sections are available at the Kodiak office and in the herring sac roe fishery harvest strategy for the 2021 season. Fishermen are urged to check with their market and test their catch prior to landing herring. Determining if size or roe quality meets processor standards is the responsibility of fishermen and industry. It is anticipated that many small and green fish will be present on the grounds during the initial open fishing periods. Recent fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's message phone at 486-4559.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>.